

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATION, INTERGOVERNMENTAL & VETERANS RELATIONS

July 2, 2009

The Honorable,
The Board of Commissioners of Cook County

ATTENDANCE

Present: Chairman Suffredin, Vice Chairman Silvestri, Commissioners Beavers, Collins, Daley, Gorman, Goslin, Murphy, Schneider, and Sims (10)

Absent: Commissioners Butler, Claypool, Gainer, Maldonado, Moreno, Peraica and Steele (7)

Also Present: Dewayne Holbrook, Chief of the Cook County Sheriff's Police Department; Mr. Willis Everett Pennington, Jr., Reinsurance Consultant and Transactional Auditor, Global Resource Managers

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Your Committee on Legislation, Intergovernmental & Veterans Relations of the Board of Commissioners of Cook County met pursuant to notice on Thursday, July 2, 2009 at the hour of 9:15 A.M. in the Board Room, Room 569, County Building, 118 North Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois.

Your Committee has considered the following items and, upon adoption of this report, the recommendations are as follows:

300848 COOK COUNTY EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SYSTEM BOARD (ETSB) (APPOINTMENT). Transmitting a Communication from Thomas J. Dart, Sheriff of Cook County:

I am seeking to replace William McHenry with Dewayne Holbrook as a member of the Cook County Emergency Telephone System Board (ETSB). Therefore, please accept this letter as a formal nomination of Dewayne Holbrook to the Board.

Mr. Holbrook has worked for the Cook County Sheriff's Office for over 30 years and has served in various capacities within the Police Department. Currently, Mr. Holbrook serves as the Chief of the Sheriff's Police Department. I believe he will make a valuable contribution as a Board Member.

According to the by-laws of the ETSB, the Cook County Board of Commissioners must approval all appointments to the Board. I am requesting that this nomination be placed on the June 2, 2009 Board Agenda for approval.

***Referred to the Committee on Legislation, Intergovernmental and Veterans Relations on June 2, 2009.**

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Dewayne Holbrook, Chief of the Cook County Sheriff's Police Department, delivered brief remarks.

Chairman Suffredin requested that the resume of Mr. Dewayne Holbrook be entered into the record.

Vice Chairman Silvestri, seconded by Commissioner Murphy, moved the Approval of Communication No. 300848. The motion carried.

301195 COMMUTER RAIL BOARD OF THE COMMUTER DIVISION OF THE REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY (METRA BOARD) (APPOINTMENT). Transmitting a Communication, dated June 16, 2009 from Todd H. Stroger, President, Cook County Board of Commissioners:

I hereby appoint **MR. WILLIS EVERETT PENNINGTON, JR.** to the Commuter Rail Board of the Commuter Division of the Regional Transportation Authority, also referred to as the Metra Board, to fill the vacancy created by the passing of Elonzo Hill. The term vacated by Mr. Hill and to be occupied by Mr. Pennington, shall expire March 31, 2012.

I submit this communication for your approval.

***Referred to the Committee on Legislation, Intergovernmental & Veterans Relations on June 16, 2009.**

Mr. Willis Everett Pennington, Jr., Reinsurance Consultant and Transactional Auditor, Global Resource Managers, delivered brief remarks.

Chairman Suffredin requested that the following documents in support of Mr. Willis E. Pennington, Jr. be entered into the record:

1. Resume of Willis E. Pennington
2. Letter dated June 26, 2009 from The Honorable William Q. Davis, State Representative, 30th District of Illinois
3. Letter dated June 25, 2009 from The Honorable Linzey D. Jones, Village President of Olympia Fields
4. Letter dated June 29, 2009 from Mr. Edward W. Paesel, Executive Director, South Suburban Mayors & Managers Association
5. Letter dated June 26, 2009 from The Honorable Al Riley, State Representative, 38th District of Illinois
6. Letter dated July 1, 2009 from The Honorable Deborah Sims, Cook County Commissioner, 5th District

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Vice Chairman Silvestri, seconded by Commissioner Sims, moved the Approval of Communication No. 301195. The motion carried.

Chairman Suffredin asked the Secretary to the Board to call upon the registered public speakers, in accordance with Cook County Code, Sec. 2-108(dd):

1. George Blakemore – Concerned Citizen

Vice Chairman Silvestri moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Commissioner Murphy. The motion carried and the meeting was adjourned.

**YOUR COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THE FOLLOWING ACTIONS
WITH REGARD TO THE MATTERS NAMED HEREIN:**

Communication Number 300848	Approved
Communication Number 301195	Approved

Respectfully submitted,
Committee on Legislation,
Intergovernmental & Veterans
Relations

Larry Suffredin, Chairman

Attest:

Matthew B. DeLeon, Secretary

*The audio recording for this meeting is available from the Office of the Secretary to the Board, 118 North Clark Street, Room 567, Chicago, IL 60602.